

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D C 20463

James S. Kometani

JUN 0 9 2005

Honolulu, HI 96814

RE: MUR 5659

Dear Mr. Kometani:

On May 19, 2005, the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that you violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1)(C), a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), by making a total of \$15,000 in contributions to the Democratic Party of Hawaii that exceeded the Act's contribution limits by \$10,000. However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission also determined to take no further action, and on June 1, 2005, the Commission closed its file as it pertains to you. The reason to believe finding was based upon information ascertained by the Commission in the normal course of its supervisory responsibilities. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2). The Audit Report, which more fully explains the Commission's findings, is attached for your information.

The Commission reminds you that making contributions to a state party committee that exceeds the limitations of the Act is a violation of 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1)(C). You should take steps to ensure that this activity does not occur in the future.

You are advised that the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) remain in effect, and that this matter is still open with respect to other respondents. The Commission will notify you when the entire file has been closed.

If you have any questions, please contact Kamau Philbert, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Scott E. Thomas

Chairman

Enclosure
Audit Report